



Pope John Paul II visited Des Moines Oct. 4 where he participated in the mass, and more than 350,000 people from delivered mass. Twenty-one students traveled by bus to the midwest witnessed the visit of John Paul II.

NWMSU students attend pope's visit to Des Moines

By Kelly Hamilton
Staff Writer

A cold wind blows through the trees of the rural Living History farms in Des Moines, Iowa. Waiting in the chilly weather are 350,000 people from all over the Midwest. A helicopter arrives and the people begin to wave. But they stop when they realize it carries no passenger. Finally, an hour later, he comes. Excitement runs through the crowd as they begin to wave in long, slow sways at Pope John Paul II.

People of all religious denominations made their way to this setting Oct. 4 for their once-in-a-lifetime chance to see the head of the Roman Catholic Church.

A group of 21 Catholics from NWMSU traveled by the University's Bearcat bus to Des Moines to see the pope, Father Chuck Jones, director of the NWMSU Newman House, said. The group left at 5:30 a.m. and returned that night at 9:30 p.m.

"Popes have been so aloof in the past," Jones said. "If you wanted to see the pope, you had to go to Rome. But here, he came to us."

Those who went were able to finally see the pope, whom they had only read about before.

"I'd read about him in newspapers and know that he was a people's pope," Mary Schroer said. "But I still didn't know what he was like."

She said when she finally saw him he looked just like the pictures she had seen.

"He's built really big," Schroer said. "For such a big person, you wouldn't expect him to be as gentle as he is. He never raised his voice once."

"He looked like the ideal Grandpa," said Peggy Luntz, another NWMSU student who went to Des Moines. "Just seeing him made you warm up."

Luntz and Schroer were able to get within 30 feet of the pope.

"When we got close to him, my insides were jumping up and down," Luntz said.

Added to the personal excitement of seeing the pope was the excitement felt by the entire crowd together.

"You can't describe how it feels to be with all those people who feel the same way you do," Terri Clear said. "It reinforces your faith in mankind."

"It's still hard to imagine the amount of people that were there even though I experienced it," Michaela Neal said.

"It was so fulfilling that it made me cry," Clear said. The crowd was made up of people from small children to old people in wheelchairs. "It was like a pat on the back for the old people," she said. "After all these years of worshipping in the Catholic faith, they'd finally seen the pope."

To many, the experience was a major part of their life.

Udall optimistic on energy crisis

Former Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall said Americans will have no choice but to cut back on energy uses, as he dubbed the energy crisis a problem that is not going to go away.

Udall was on the NWMSU campus as guest speaker at the Knights of the Hickory Stick banquet Oct. 4 and the Northwest District of the Missouri State Teachers Association meeting Oct. 5.

During his term as Cabinet member under Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson in the 1960s, the energy crisis was considered a non-problem, he said. It was not until the 1970s that a problem was predicted.

"The first signs that we were really in trouble came in the 1970s when our oil production was cut and we started down," Udall said. "I began talking about an oil crisis in 1972, before the Embargo and before OPEC, which was six years ago."

Americans will be forced to cut back on their use of energy because the country uses such a great deal of oil.

Udall also said President Jimmy Carter's synthetic fuel program may possibly help the country in the 1990s, but it will not lessen the severity of the present problem.

However, he did not criticize Carter's energy program, although he offered sharp criticism for Congress.

"I think I'm more critical of Congress than I am of the last three presidents, who at least made proposals," Udall said. "Congress has been unable to get its act together. They've been quarrelsome; they've been unwilling to take bold steps, and I think we're paying the price for that."

However, Udall said he is optimistic about the energy crisis.

"I'm a believer we're going to resolve this problem, by tightening our belts, and by things like gasohol. If we have little technologies where every farmer may be producing his own energy a few years from now--this may be the way we have to go."

Grass fire burns on campus grounds

At approximately 7:10 Wednesday night, a grass fire burned on University property near the Norfolk and Western railroad tracks, north of Millikan Hall.

"There were no signs of the fire being set and no damage," said James Cremer, campus safety director. "The area has been dry so long it is surprising there have been no more fires," he said.

Department reverses lab school decision

By Suzie Zillner
Editor

The Missouri Department of Higher Education reversed its recommendation Friday that the budgets for four university laboratory schools be cut by 50 percent.

Now, the department has drafted another recommendation to the Coordinating Board for Higher Education that the lab schools receive full funding for the 1980-81 fiscal year.

Lab schools have been phased out at the University of Missouri, Lincoln University and Northeast Missouri State University. However, Northwest Missouri State, Southeast Missouri State, Southwest Missouri State and Central Missouri State Universities all operate lab schools.

The first recommendation to cut the schools' budgets in half was made to equal the state's funding of lab schools and public schools, said Stanley Koplik, deputy commissioner of higher education in Jefferson City.

"Right now, the public schools are receiving 50 percent from the state's funding," Koplik said. "At the same time, however, lab schools are receiving full funding of 100 percent. We just wanted to see that lab schools received the same amount of money as public schools with the first recommendation," he said.

With the 50 percent cut, NWMSU's Horace Mann Learning Center lab school budget would have been cut from \$118,000 to \$59,000.

The decision to reverse the department of higher education's recommendation was made to reduce the abrupt funding hardship, Koplik said.

"Last Friday, we heard testimony from the lab school representatives as to their worth," Koplik said.

"We decided that if the budgets were cut, it would produce hardships within the universities and other university services would probably suffer," Koplik

said. "And, to close the lab funding all at once would cause even more problems. So, after all these things were considered, we decided to recommend that the lab schools be fully funded until the fall of 1981," he said.

Beginning in 1981, Koplik said the department will recommend a three-year phase-out period within the lab schools, gradually moving the students into the public school systems.

"This way, it'll give the universities a chance to come back with a plan," he said.

Koplik said his department of higher education would like to see lab schools phased out in an orderly fashion in the next three years.

"It will be up to each university to decide if it would rather have a lab school over some other state-funded program," he said.

University President Dr. B.D. Owens said the Horace Mann lab school is extremely valuable to NWMSU.

Owens will attend a meeting of the fiscal affairs committee of the coordinating board Oct. 11 in Jefferson City where the future of Horace Mann will be further discussed.

"Superintendents prefer to hire graduates of NWMSU in elementary education because of their practicum experience at Horace Mann," Owens said. "The availability of a lab school on our campus gives elementary education majors an opportunity to decide if school teaching is for them at an early stage," he said.

If the state cuts back its lab school funding in the next three years as Koplik anticipates, Owens said a decision would be made within the University whether to fund the school.

"We could charge tuition for the lab school and fund the program ourselves," Owens said. "That means alleviating other programs. But it's an internal decision that could be made," he said.

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University plane proves convenient

By Lori Atkins
Managing Editor

A twin-engine airplane, purchased by NWMSU in April of 1978, has proved its worth to the University in means of time saved, gasoline used and convenience. Dr. Bob Bush, vice president for environmental development, said.

The Aztec E-model plane, which uses about 20 gallons of fuel an hour when on the economy cruise setting and has a ground speed of 160 miles per hour, is economical during this period of the energy crisis.

"With the airplane, the cost of operation is reduced so greatly," Bush said. "The airplane is most economic. A car could be less expensive, but with lodging, meals and the time lost, it's just more economic."

A study was made before the University purchased the plane to see if it would be greatly used. The study showed that 25-28 trips to state meetings were requested by state education officials.

The survey showed that the plane could be used for administrators and faculty to attend conferences, seminars and for instructional purposes in various University departments, Bush said. The plane is also used for NWMSU officials to go to budget meetings, coordinating board meetings and state academic conferences. The majority of these meetings and conferences are within the state of Missouri, he said.

Many of these meetings, usually held in Jefferson City or Columbia, also required a quick response time, Bush said. Meetings were sometimes arranged in about two hours, so the NWMSU officials had to be able to travel hundreds of miles in that time.

"When you have less than two hours to get to a meeting, the airplane is sometimes the only way to get there," he said.

The plane is used an average of two times a week, and is piloted by President Dr. B.D. Owens; Joe Rankin,

the fixed base operator; Ed Costin of Grant City; or Bush. Brad Dusenberry, a junior at NWMSU, also co-piloted the plane. However, he has never piloted the plane alone.

Dusenberry was the first officer for a computer airline this summer and is waiting for the insurance company to approve his flying the University plane. When the company does approve, he will then be able to pilot the plane by himself. So far this year, he has gone on one trip to Jefferson City as a co-pilot.

Safety is first priority, Bush said, and therefore co-pilots are usually used.

"It's a two-pilot operation in marginal weather," he said.

The pilots are also required to take a written exam each year, and they must know the rules and regulations as stated in the manual.

Dusenberry agrees that safety is paramount.

"The safety rules are really strict," he said. "We have to follow company rules."

And, when safety is obtained by following these rules, the plane becomes one of the more convenient ways to travel for University officials, Bush said.

"It's convenient, but more importantly, it's cost saving," he said. "It gives NWMSU faculty and students more time on campus. A three-day operation can be turned into a one-day operation with the airplane," Bush said. "A trip that takes 10 hours by automobile would be a two-hour trip by airplane."



Brad Dusenberry checks the oil on NWMSU's Aztec E-model plane.

Missourian photo/Dave Young

Teasdale orders nuclear evacuation plan for state

By Cindy Sedler
Staff Writer

The nuclear accident which occurred in March at Three-Mile Island in Pennsylvania may have seemed too distant to have any effect on University and Maryville residents. But, it is this radiation leak which spurred an evacuation plan which may involve the University, Maryville Public Safety Department and St. Francis Hospital.

Gov. Joseph Teasdale ordered a report in April on Missouri's nuclear accident preparedness. According to the Maryville Daily Forum, the plan states that though a serious incident happening in the plant that would necessitate altering other agencies can

be expected within the lifetime of the plant, radiation leaks that would justify an evacuation are improbable.

The plan involving Maryville would be activated if a major accident occurred at the Cooper Nuclear Power Station in Brownsville, Neb., about 55 miles from Maryville. Even though there are only five families living within two miles of the plant, 8,000 people live within a 20-mile radius.

Bruce Wake, director of housing, said the University's facilities will be available in a disaster situation. The plans have not been completed, but Wake said several options are available. One possibility is that classes would be temporarily suspended and dormitory space would be available to house evacuated people. If classes were not cancelled, Wake said there were 50 to 75 temporary beds that could be utilized, and students could also double up in the dorms.

"The governor has volunteered our facilities for the people of Rock Port," Wake said. "We have enough room for 2,500 to 2,700 people and nearby is Mt. Alverno and Conception Abbey."

Roger Stricker, director of Maryville Public Safety, said that in the case of a nuclear accident at the Cooper plant, officials would coordinate disaster measures similar to those of a tornado.

Radiation treatment would be at St. Francis Hospital for contaminated individuals. Patients who could convalesce at home as well as they could in the hospital would be dismissed, according to the plan. The hospital also has a mutual agreement with other hospitals.

The evacuation would have to be initiated by Atchison County officials of which there are three types of evacuation. The first is spontaneous, in which people evacuate of their own accord. The second is selective, in which pregnant women and children would be asked to leave. The third is a complete evacuation in which only emergency workers would be allowed to remain in the area.

WEATHER

Continued cool with a chance of rain Friday through Sunday. Highs near 60. Lows upper 30s.

Campus Briefs

Secretary of the month named

Wanda Auffert, office supervisor in the department of purchasing at NWMSU, has been named Secretary of the Month of September at the University.

The Secretary of the Month recognition honors University staff members who display high quality work, a helpful attitude and sincerity.

Auffert has worked for Northwest for more than seven years. She has been employed in the department of purchasing since 1976, where she assists Purchasing Director Dwight Branson.

Industrial arts department to host seminar

The department of industrial arts education and technology will host a metal finishing and plating seminar 7:30 p.m. Oct. 25 in the Valk Industrial Arts Building.

The seminar will be presented by Mark Fankowski from Enthone Inc. of Chicago, Ill. Enthone Inc. deals in chemical supplies for the metal plating industry.

Scarborough completes internship

Roger Scarborough, an NWMSU senior and Student Senate president, recently completed a 10-week internship in the Maryville offices of Edward D. Jones & Co., a member of New York Stock Exchange.

The internship was offered in conjunction with NWMSU's School of Business Administration.

Four serve area radio and TV stations

Four NWMSU students are serving their internships this semester in area radio and television stations.

Janis Jones is serving as a news intern at WDAF-TV, Kansas City; Tim Hartnett, news intern at KKJO Radio, St. Joseph; and Mike McLaughlin, news intern at KFEQ Radio, St. Joseph; and Carol Estes, programming intern at KMA Radio, Shenandoah, Iowa.

All four students are senior broadcasting majors.

Euritt receives scholarship

Mark Euritt, a senior political science major at NWMSU, received the Tom Coleman Political Science Scholarship Oct. 5 during the Northwest District Meeting of the Missouri Teachers Association.

The funds for the scholarship were established when Coleman, sixth district congressman, gave the commencement address last spring at NWMSU. Coleman did not accept the fee for speaking, but, instead, asked that the money be used for a political science scholarship.

Madrigal to perform at Renaissance Festival

NWMSU's Madrigal Singers have been invited to sing at the Kansas City Renaissance Festival Oct. 14.

Gilbert Whitney, assistant professor of music and director of the Madraliers, said the group will perform four to five sets for the festival, which is sponsored by the Art Institute of Kansas City.

Homecoming bands announced

The Flying Burrito Brothers, Missouri and Morningstar will provide Homecoming concert entertainment at 8 p.m. Oct. 20 in Lamkin Gym.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Student Union Office, or at the Lamkin box office the evening of the concert. Tickets for Northwest students will be priced at \$2.50 in advance, \$3 at the door.

Change is made in check cashing policy

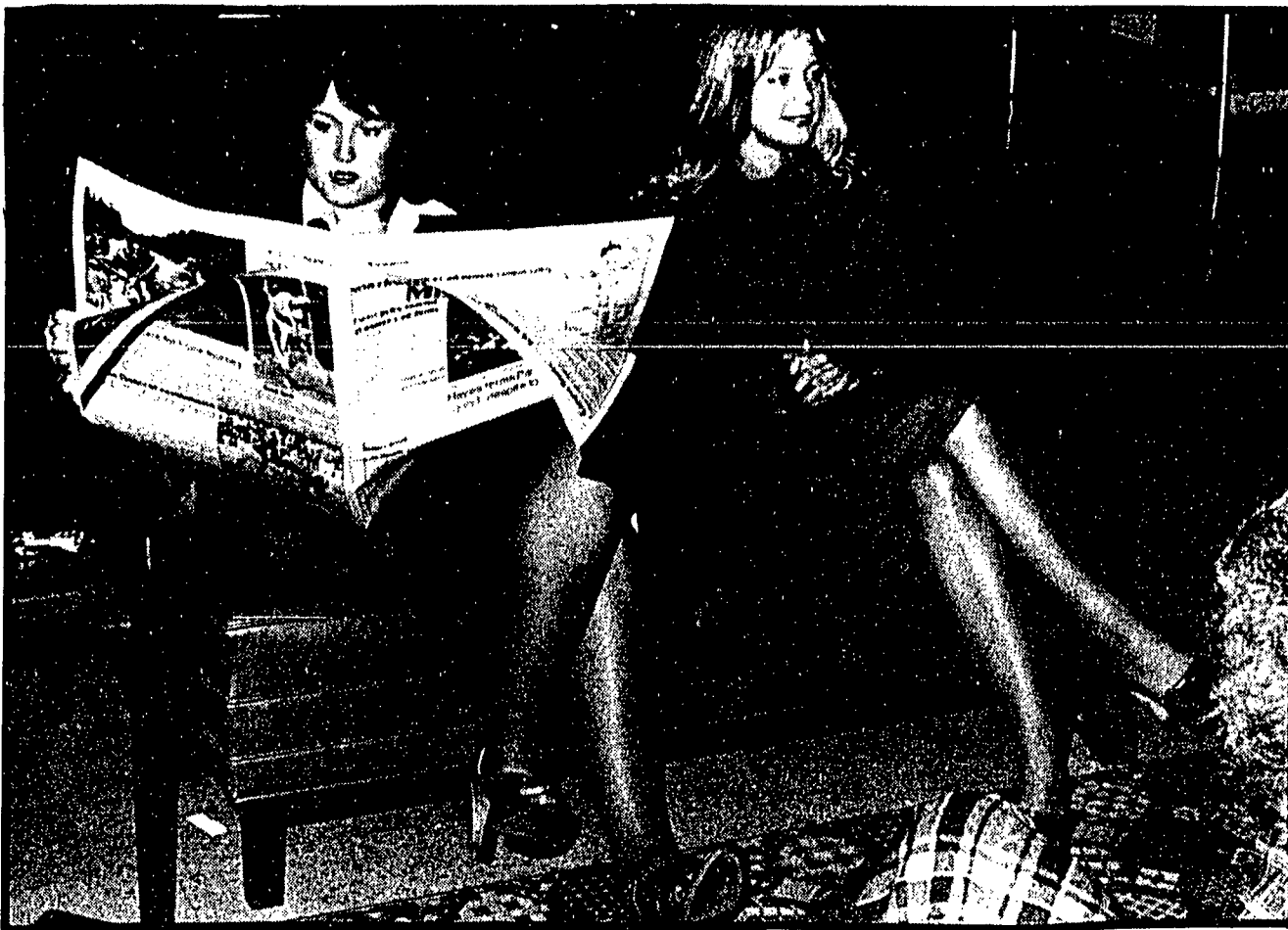
The University's business office has made a change in its student check cashing policy. Before, students were allowed to cash checks up to \$10. Now, the maximum check cashing fee has been raised to \$15.

Homecoming Variety Show tickets on sale

Homecoming Variety Show tickets are on sale in the alumni office of the Student Union for the Oct. 16th through the 19th performances. Tickets are 50 cents.

Energy Poster Contest to be held

Entries for the Inter-Residence Council sponsored Energy Conservation Poster Contest should be turned in between Oct. 15 and Nov. 1. First prize is \$50. Entries should be turned in to Laura Catron, 224 Millikan, or Bryce Strobehn, 216 Cook.



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Five queen finalists selected

Theresa Walker and Kathy Watt wait to be interviewed during the selection of the finalists for Homecoming Queen. The Queen will be crowned Wednesday, Oct. 17 at the variety show. The five finalists are — Alice Barbee, Cathy Boone, Cheri Burnside, Linda Eichinger and Theresa Walker. The students will vote on Tuesday, Oct. 16, to elect the 1979 Homecoming Queen.

Debaters begin season

By Debbie Garrett
Staff Writer

NWMSU's debate team posted its best record last year by placing 20th nationally in varsity competition. The junior varsity placed 11th in competition.

This is one of the benefits of being on the team, knowing that something was accomplished.

Unlike other activities, debate lasts all year instead of just a semester, said Dr. James Leu, debate coach. "Also individual research and creative writing are learned, things which students usually don't learn until later," he said.

"To tell what happens, we have the highest percentage of students go on to graduate school than any other organization on campus," Leu said.

"It can't physically hurt you, but you're worked to where you suffer," he added.

Besides Leu, several of the debaters feel the benefits of this group.

"It really helps you learn to use the library as far as utilizing library facilities," sophomore Gregg Turner said. "It also helps you learn how to talk to people."

Freshman Jay Stubbs believes debate puts him in contact with a number of topics he wouldn't otherwise have learned about.

Senior Ward Smith said, "It gives us a chance to compete against the big schools on a one to one basis. Also we get to meet six to 12 schools in a weekend."

"I think we'll be improved in the junior varsity this year, but I don't know about the varsity show," said Leu.

Because one of the varsity debaters graduated last year, Smith is the only

returning varsity debater. Two sophomores are up to take over though.

"The question is can one of the sophomores fill his shoes?" Leu said. "It will depend on how they come along."

"We've got a big tournament coming up in Emporia," he said. "Last year we came in fourth. That's the test. That's when I'll know how we'll do."

NWMSU's five-team squad competes against such schools as Harvard, USC and Baylor. Unlike these schools, though, NWMSU is limited by library facilities, budget and other things.

"One problem has always been resources," Leu said.

The national topic for debaters this

year is "the federal government should significantly strengthen the regulation of mass media communications in the United States."

Leu said the topic is a contemporary one. "Many cases have been heard concerning this, among them being television violence," he said.

As with many other groups on campus, the debate club has been affected by the Administration Building fire. Only some old stored materials were lost, though, Leu said.

Anyone interested in joining the debate team may get involved by attending the debate meetings held at 6:30 p.m. Monday in 146 Colden Hall.

Harambee House sponsors Miss Black NWMSU pageant

Harambee House, the black cultural center at NWMSU, will sponsor the eighth annual Miss Black NWMSU Homecoming Queen Pageant at 7 p.m. Oct. 19 in the Spanish Den of the Student Union. A reception and party will follow in the Spanish Den.

Contestants for this year's pageant are Donna Griffen, Angela Larry, Tamara Moore, Marie Nelson and Cynthia Terry. The girls will be judged on poise, talent, enthusiasm, projection and appearance.

Harambee House also participates in other activities besides Homecoming, said J.J. Fulsom, Harambee House president. The House sponsors Black Week, intramurals and campus guest speakers and musicians. The Rev.

Ralph Abernathy, a civil rights leader, and Andrew Young, former ambassador to the United Nations have been scheduled to speak at the school this year.

Fulsom said in the past that the House has not been getting any support from students and instructors. But, hopefully, she said, the House will get extra encouragement toward achieving a higher goal.

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Lab schools state funded

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Maryville School District Superintendent of Schools Dr. Roland Tullberg said he thinks the best thing to do as far as the Maryville residents are concerned, is to keep the lab school functioning.

"If the students do come over to our school system, the state law says we must provide for them and we will," Tullberg said.

Financially, Tullberg said the 175 Horace Mann students would mean additional costs of \$75,000 to \$100,000 to the school district.

Presently, tuition for the 175 Horace Mann students is \$25 a semester, which is used to help bus the students to and from school.

Owens said most universities in Missouri dropped their lab school programs because of the high operating cost.

"In our situation, the real cost would be more if we discontinued Horace Mann," he said. "With a high transportation cost, the Maryville School District would not be able to absorb students and student teachers realistically," he said.

"I question whether Washington Middle School and the Eugene Field Elementary School could handle the additional students if Horace Mann were to close," Owens said.

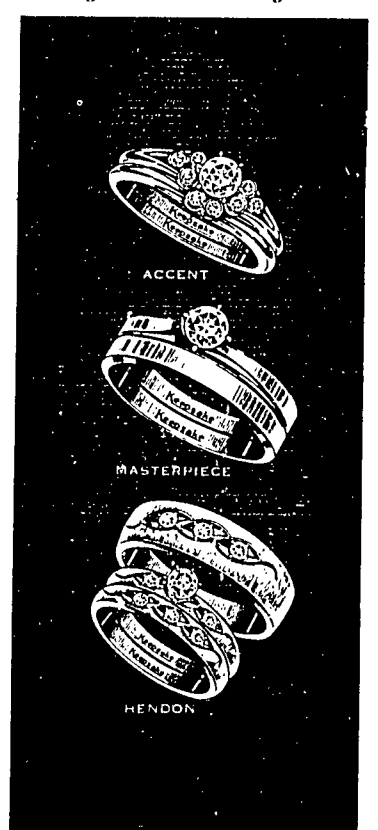
JoAnn Stamm Marion, first grade teacher at Horace Mann, said she doesn't know if the lab school will eventually close.

"Horace Mann is a valuable place and we need to keep it," she said. "Granted it's not for every child, but parents need a choice."

"If the school closed, it would have a tremendous effect on elementary education majors," she said. "Without the observation experience, they won't be prepared to go into the classroom to do their student teaching."

"It would also affect a lot of kids," she said. "Right now, we have two kids in kindergarten who are reading because of our one-to-one classroom help. It just wouldn't be this way in a public school," she said.

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Students experience pope's mass

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"Some people bugged me about it saying that I thought he was God," Neal said. "He's the symbol of our religion, just like the president is a symbol of the United States."

"This was probably my only chance to see the pope and I'll never forget it," she said.

"I never expected to see the pope," Schroer said. "I enjoyed seeing him more than Robert Redford."

A mass was given by the pope centering around rural life. He compared the distribution of food by farmers to the spreading of God's work.

The altar from which the pope spoke sat on a hill at the farm. One hundred-year-old planks were used for the holy table. Other pieces on the altar symbolized rural America.

"Take a regular mass and times it by 100,000 and you might come close to the mass we experienced," Neal said.

"It was just overwhelming," Clear said.

The many who experienced seeing the pope will always remember Oct. 4, 1979 as being one of the most fascinating and fulfilling days of their lives.

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Viewpoint

Students should participate in Homecoming band selection

Union Board seems to have done a good job this year selecting a three-band lineup for the Homecoming concert. Missouri and Morning Star are fast-rising midwestern bands with a lot to offer for most rock and roll fans. And although most students respond with, "Who are they?" to the Flying Burrito Brothers, they have been around concert halls a long time and have kept up with the rapid changes in modern music.

There's only one thing wrong with the selection of the bands this year--a complaint that goes back to last year. Why should Union Board alone make the choice? This is a big decision, affecting the whole University, but made by a very small group of people.

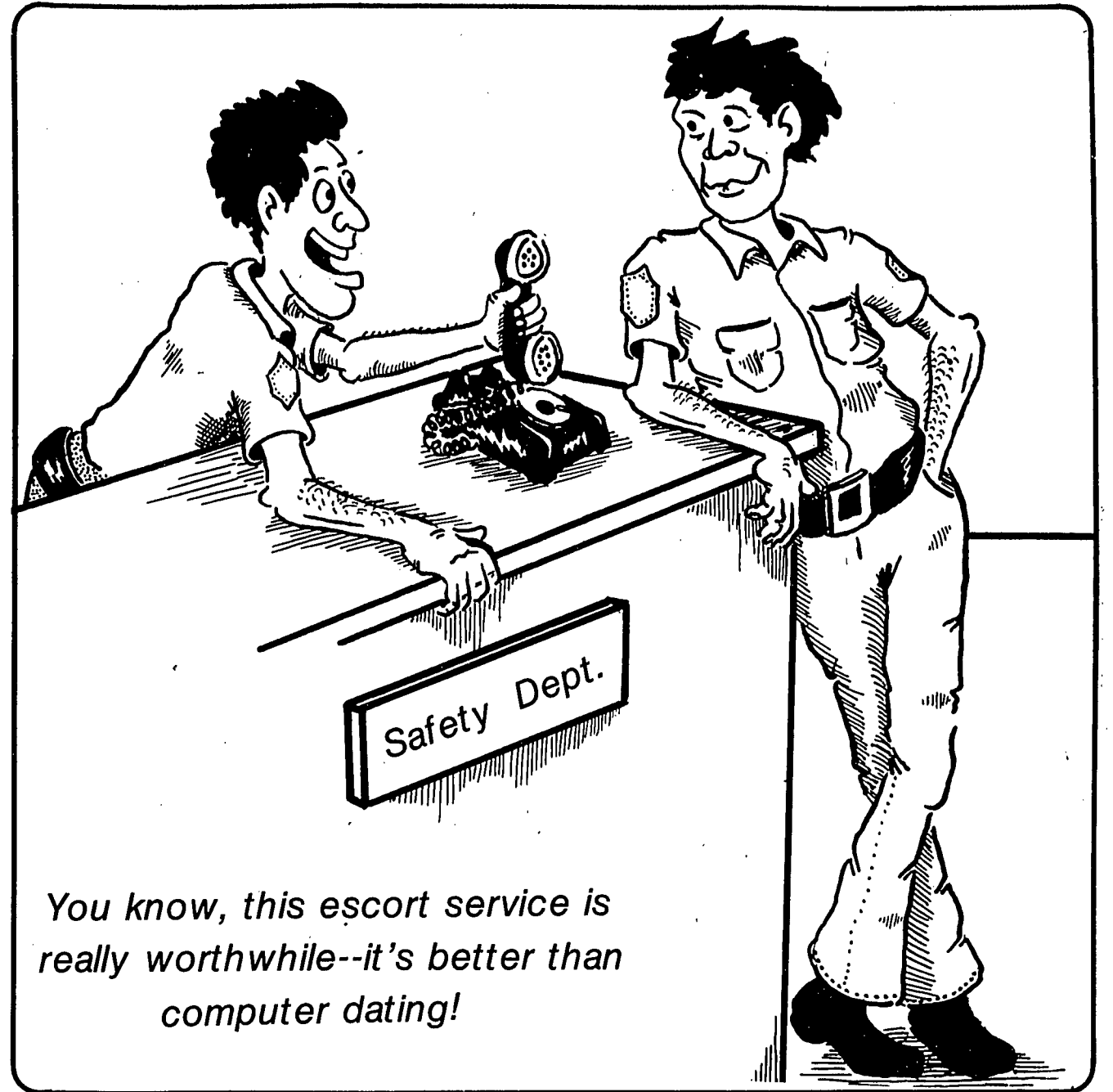
Lining up a name band is a complicated task since the band must be in the price range, in the area and free on the set date. It would be impossible

for all students to make the final decision on the bands, but they should be more involved.

The student body could at least select the type of music they want, such as hard rock, mellow rock, country or disco. Students could even vote on a list of all available groups so Union Board could get an idea of the popular opinion on campus. Of course, if this method were used, the campus voters would have to understand that even if Styx and Kansas won the vote, Missouri, Morning Star and The Flying Burrito Brothers could still play at the Homecoming concert.

If more students were allowed to participate in the band selection there would be less complaints and more ticket sales. But, more importantly, more music fans would get to see the type of show they want.

Janice Corder/Entertainment Editor



Missourian cartoon/John Clouse

Efforts needed to keep Horace Mann School open

Last week, the Missouri Department of Higher Education took a second look at its recommendation to the Coordinating Board of Higher Education which cut university lab school budgets by 50 percent for 1980.

It's a good thing the department studied the program further because it decided to change its recommendation to fund the lab schools 100 percent until 1981.

That's great news. The four universities will now go about planning their budgets as they originally anticipated.

But what will happen in 1981?

NWMSU is known state-wide for its excellence in its elementary education programs. The lab school gives elementary education majors a chance to observe classes during their sophomore and junior years.

If Horace Mann's state funding decreases and the school is not funded by another mode--or, if the school closes down completely, the University will be greatly affected.

Elementary education majors will begin to look elsewhere for a university which is located in or near a metropolitan area where plenty of observation and student teaching opportunities can be found. This trend would directly affect the University's enrollment, which, in turn, would affect the school's total state appropriations.

Also, because this community is small, the Maryville public school district will probably not have the funding or the space for 175 additional Horace Mann students.

Both the Maryville school district and the University need an open Horace Mann School to operate effectively. They must now work together to decide what can be done to keep the lab school in operation.

Neither can afford to bury the problem until 1981. Planning for the future has to start now before the government makes obsolete yet another fine laboratory program.

Suzie Zillner/Editor

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Steppin' Out

'Amityville', 'North Dallas' held over for second week

By Janice Corder
Entertainment Editor

Both Tivoli and Missouri Theaters will hold over last week's movies due to audience response.

If you need a good scare two weeks before Halloween and still haven't made it to **The Amityville Horror**, this is your last week to see it—at least in Maryville. The movie will show at 8 p.m. at the Missouri. Admission is \$2.25 and the film is rated R.

North Dallas Forty runs again at 8 p.m. at the Tivoli Theater. This football story moves a little slowly at first, but it is almost worth sitting through for the hilarious "lockerroom" humor.

Besides being funny, the film shows a side of the professional football world not commonly known. In **North Dallas Forty**, football is transformed from a game played for fun to a vicious business played for wins and profit. The players, some of whom have been kept at a child-like level, are treated with the same respect as the field equipment or practice uniforms.

The viewer learns how each player deals with the tension brought on by the lack of respect from their coach, owner and team executives. Some turn to religion, others to their friends and some become immature little boys, living only for a word of praise from

their coach or peace-making quarterback. Another part of professional football brought out by the movie is the use of hard drugs. Extremely strong pain-killers are administered to badly injured players if they are needed for a game.

Two excellent satires, **Kentucky Fried Movie** and **The Groove Tube**, are showing at the South Cinema Drive-in beginning at 8 p.m. Oct. 10. **Kentucky Fried Movie** is a ribald comedy, spoofing everything on the air from the nightly news to those dreaded commercials. The film was released in 1977 and is probably one of the funniest movies ever made.

The second show, **The Groove Tube** was the first in a long line of irreverent satires. As the title implies, the movie is about the ridiculous world of television. It stars Chevy Chase and came out even before the actor achieved success in "Saturday Night Live". These two shows aren't for just anybody though. The humor is shocking at times and often downright disrespectful, but it all comes out hilarious in the end. Admission is \$2 and both films are rated R. The Drive-in opens at 6:30.

The Hitching Post will offer Andy and Tammy singing through the dinner hour this week.

IRC's Water Regatta is also this weekend at 1:30 Oct. 13 at College Pond. Entries should be sent to Water Regatta, Phillips Hall.

Final competition for the F.U.N. Disco Dance Contest will be at 9 p.m. Oct. 13 in the Spanish Den. Trophies for first, second and third will be awarded for the winners.

Union Board presents **Hooper** at 7 p.m. Oct. 11 through 12 at Horace Mann Auditorium. Burt Reynolds stars in this action film as the "world's greatest stunt man" with Jan-Micheal Vincent as his eager, young rival. **Hooper** also stars Sally Field and Robert

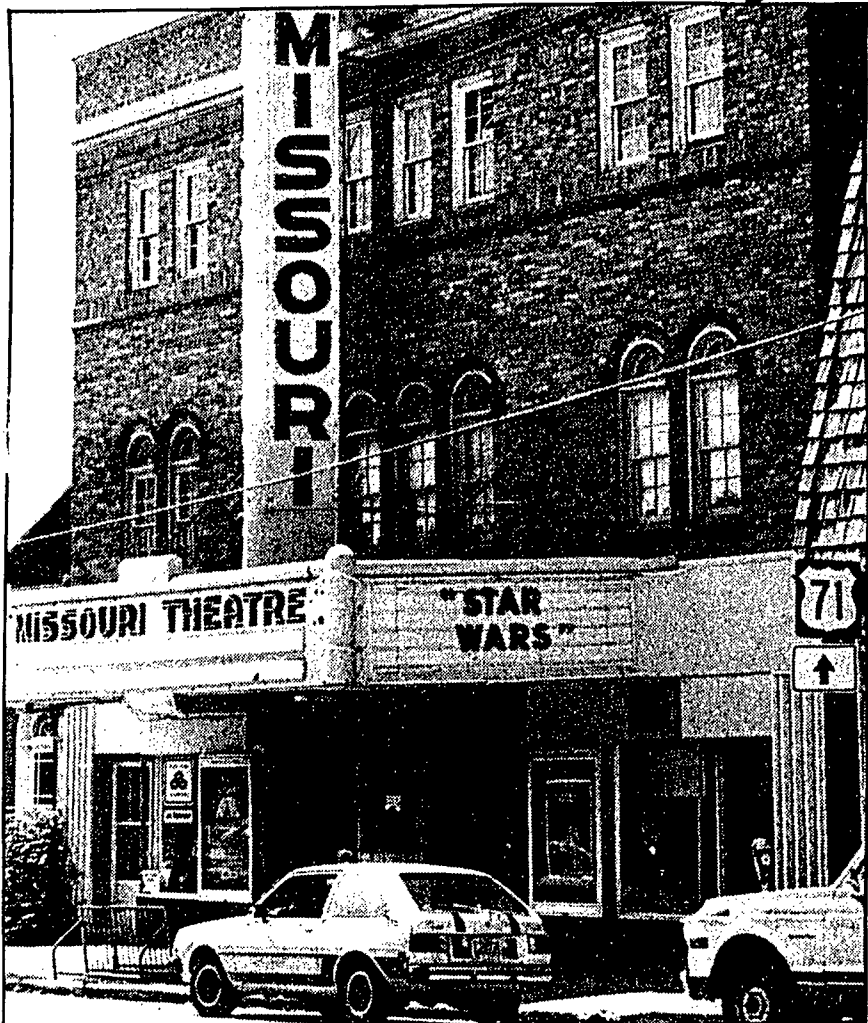
Clyde and is rated PG. Admission is 75 cents with a student I.D.

A Bell Tower Sit-in will be presented by Union Board from 4-6 p.m. Oct. 15. Performers include singer Larry Gaer, accompanied by Mike Davis on guitar; Paul Crotty, also a guitar player; Gloria Weatherman on violin and vocals by John Thompson; and Singintree, a bluegrass group composed of three students and an instructor. In case of bad weather, the Sit-in will be in the Spanish Den. Admission is free.

The Tivoli also offers an Owl show this weekend at 11 p.m. Admission is \$2.50.

'I love the nightlife'

View of Maryville varies



Missourian file photo/Andre A. Jackson

Students from large cities must adjust to having two theaters and one drive-in in Maryville, compared to more theaters playing more than one show in their hometowns.

By Tammy Calfee
Staff Writer

Athletics, movies, parties and bars. This is how some NWMSU students spend their leisure time.

Some students feel the entertainment in Maryville is great compared to their home town, while others feel Maryville is boring.

For students from small towns close to Maryville such as Hopkins or Pickering, Maryville has always been a close place to take in a movie or eat in a restaurant. Even for students as far away as Bedford and Mt. Ayr, Maryville has been a place to go for a variety of entertainment.

The idea of whether Maryville's entertainment selections are good or bad compared to the student's home town or where they spent their leisure time seems to depend on the size or population of the student's hometown.

Some students from St. Louis and Kansas City find the "night life" in Maryville "terrible."

"Everything in Maryville closes at 11:00 o'clock while a lot of the bars and restaurants in St. Louis stay open all night, every night," said Donna Dahmer, St. Louis.

"St. Louis has more people you can get to know; while Maryville is limited. I also like to go shopping and Maryville has no big shopping centers to go to."

Students from other states such as Illinois or New York find it hard to get used to no big name concerts and shows.



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Although Maryville has a fairly large shopping district, there are no shopping malls as found in Kansas City, Des Moines or St. Joseph.

Terry Gee from Binghamton, New York, which combined with two other close cities has a population of about 60,000 people is one who misses the concerts.

"We have a center called the 'Area' where live bands and performers such as Peter Frampton play often. I really miss that a lot, along with there are less bars in Maryville. Not only that, but New York is an 18 state," said Gee.

A student from Illinois was surprised that Maryville only has two theaters with only one show playing each night. She was used to having at least four different shows playing at the same

time. For students used to seeing groups like Cheap Trick and The Cars at their county fair, Maryville does not measure up.

Gregg Borkowski, from West Side, Iowa which has a population of 350 people, still finds Maryville "boring in comparison to his home town."

"I'm really bored down here sometimes," said Borkowski. "I like to go to keggers and parties where everyone is not trying to put on some big front. I like it when people are just themselves."

One student from Kansas City misses the different things to do in a larger town.

There are students who like the "night life" of Maryville.

"There's no variety in entertainment—like movies and big shopping centers," said Tony Moles.

"Maryville is more exciting," said Joni Janssen from Sac City, Iowa. "All we have at home is one bowling alley and one show."

Kathy Kemery from Blockton, Iowa said, "I really like Maryville. If more students would get off campus and meet the people of Maryville, they would see Maryville is a great place to live."

NWMSU junior gets chance on 'Family Feud'

By Janice Corder
Entertainment Editor

It may not be a dream come true, but NWMSU junior Dana Jones did get a once in a lifetime chance.

Jones and her family, from Buckner, managed to get on the ABC game show, "Family Feud."

"My sisters (14 and 15 years old) have always said they wanted to be on that show," said Jones, a broadcasting major.

Jones' mother first tried to get the family on the show when she saw "Family Feud" was holding auditions in Kansas City. She had to call all day but finally got through.

"One lady called 2,000 times and finally got in on the 2,000th time, so it was lucky just to get through," said Jones.

For the initial interview, Jones, her parents and two sisters went to the President's Hotel in Kansas City, where they played a mock game with two representatives from "Family Feud." Each family member also had to tell a little about themselves.

"Two days later we had an interview with the show's producer," said Jones. "It was with one other family and we had to act like we were really playing for money."

Since 500 families auditioned in Kansas City and the show could only take 20, the Jones family decided they needed to do something different.

"We sang a song about the show," said Jones. "But then they also made us sing the song when we were on the show."

The Joneses left Kansas City with all expenses paid by the network Sept. 11 and taped "Family Feud" on the 12th. The show aired Oct. 9.

"We spent almost the entire day at the studio," said Jones. "They tape five shows a night."

Before the show, the Jones family spent about two or three hours rehearsing. They got in their poses, played the game and became fully acquainted with the set.

"When I first walked in and saw the set I thought 'I can't believe I'm doing this,'" said Jones. "The set's a lot smaller than I thought."

The family the Joneses played was from Atlanta and ended up beating all five families that night, but the Jones family ended up winning \$238.

"We barely lost," said Jones. "The family we lost to had \$9,000 when they left. If you kept winning they'd fly you back out."

Although just being on "Family Feud" was exciting, Jones said the loss was a let-down.

"I was disappointed because you can't help thinking what you'd do with all that money," she said. "You get so psyched up that it's disappointing."

Jones said her most frequent questions since being on the show are about the host Richard Dawson.

"I was surprised because I didn't get to talk to him that much," she said. "He's shorter than I expected and has a very quiet voice."

Before the taping of the show, each family was asked if any of the women objected to being kissed by Dawson.

"I didn't mind at all," said Jones. "He's extremely friendly—I didn't feel nervous around him at all."

Although the "Family Feud" audience is over 250 people, Jones didn't feel that nervous during the show.

"The people working on the show were unbelievably friendly," she said. "I wasn't nervous—I'm more nervous now waiting for the show to come on the air."



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Courtesy ABC-TV

Gone Hollywood

NWMSU junior Dana Jones answers a question during the Oct. 9 telecast of "Family Feud." Jones and her family, from Buckner, won \$238, but still lost against a family from Atlanta.

Union Board hosts party

A bar in the Den! You're kidding? No, the Spanish Den will be the setting for the 1920's Speakeasy to be presented 8:30 p.m. Oct. 12 by the Student Union Board.

The Speakeasy will feature the contemporary jazz band, Urban Renewal. Also performing for 1920's fans will be the singing duet Andy and Tammy. NWMSU students, Andy Heath and Tammy Jennings, will sing a variety of hit songs from the decade.

Also showing at the Speakeasy will be a Charlie Chaplin and Marx Brothers film.

There is no admission and free popcorn, peanuts and pretzels will be available.

Drinks containing no alcohol, but tasting like Speakeasy drinks will be on sale.

Faculty Recital will be Oct. 11

A Faculty Recital will be presented at 8 p.m. Oct. 11 in the Charles Johnson Theater. Those participating are Frances Mitchell, Margaret Ann Bush and Bill O'Hara.

Frances Mitchell, a soprano vocalist, will sing three selections, the first of which will be "In Summer Fields" by Ives. "Two Songs of the City: Childhood Memories and Chalk Marks on the Sidewalk" by Siegmester will follow. She will also present an aria from the opera "Madame Butterfly," "One Fine Day" by Puccinin.

Margaret Ann Bush will perform three piano pieces. Two Chopin selections are "Mazurka," Opus 17, No. 4 and "Polonaise," Opus 40, No. 2. Her third piece will be "Fireworks" by Debussy.

Bill O'Hara's three selections will be performed on the clarinet. They are "Hillandale" by Victor Bavin, "Sonatina for Solo Clarinet" by Miklos Rozsa and "Premiere Rhapsodie" by Claude Debussy. The first and last selections will be accompanied by piano.

Admission for the Faculty Recital is free.

SPORTS

Bearcats halt Mules, look to Bears for another win

By Cheryl Krell
Sports Editor

The Bearcat football team will have to overcome a "tremendous offense" if they hope to maintain their winning ways this Saturday as they battle the Southwest Missouri State Bears in Springfield, Mo. Kickoff is slated for 7:30 p.m.

In their second conference game of the season, the 'Cats will be competing against an injury plagued team, whose offense was rated among the top five one year ago, and were picked as the favorite this year by all the coaches. Their record so far is 3-2. The Bears were dealt their first conference blow by Lincoln last weekend, losing 24-22.

"They have a tremendous offense," said Jim Redd, head coach for the Bearcats. "We expect a strong running game. Their offense was rated in the top five last year, and they have nine of those players returning this year."

Defensively the Bears have an even front, according to Redd.

"At times they play very good defense but then they give a lot of points. Their defense is not poor but it's not consistently strong either," he said.

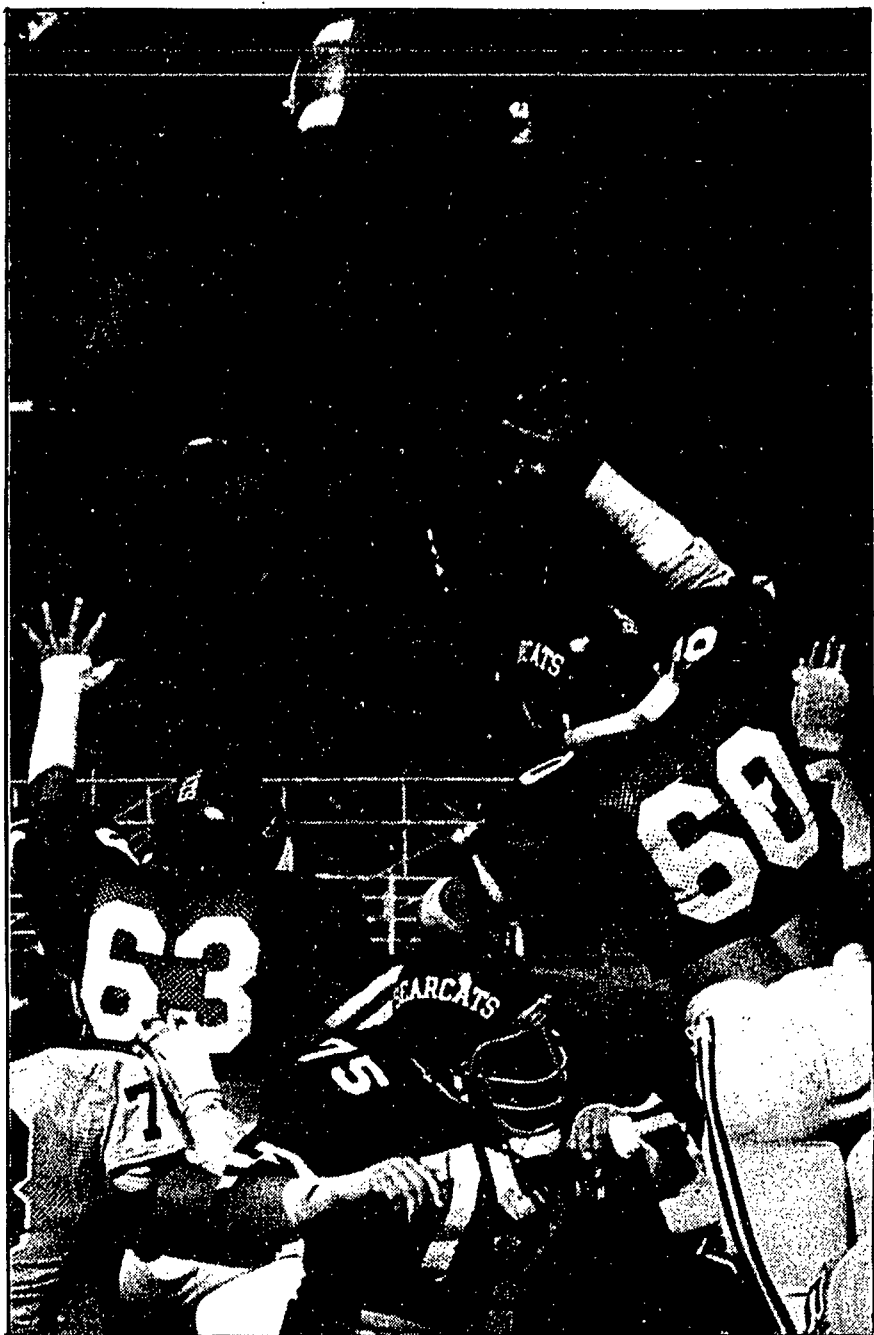
Redd also believes that the injuries in which the Bears are having to deal with right now will play a major role in the outcome of the game.

"Their injuries could either really hurt them, or it could really motivate them," said Redd.

"We anticipate a rugged contest, especially since they lost last week in conference play and are picked for number one," he said. "Teams can usually win the conference with one loss but rarely do they take it with two. I believe they'll be out to win."

In last Saturday's 6-14 victory over the Central Missouri State Mules the Bearcats rolled for season highs in first downs with 22, rushing attempts with 72, offensive plays with 78, touchdowns with three and points with 26.

While the offense boomed for 303 of its 352 total yards, the defense was



Missourian Photo/Dave Young
the wind and also came back in the third, to score."

Redd believes the offense is also beginning to gain some consistency.

"We had 72 rushing attempts to their 32, which shows that we are maintaining the ball for longer periods of time," he said.

limiting Central to opponent's season lows of ten first downs, 32 rushes, 52 rushing yards, 51 offensive plays, and 134 yards total offense.

"The wind was a big factor in that game," said Redd. "We managed to control most of the game with it. We scored twice in the second going into



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[Left] In action last Saturday against Central Missouri State Lance Corbin [63] and John Farmer [60] reach for the ball to keep the Mules receivers from completing a pass. Charlie

White [75] blocks on the defensive line. [Above] Donald Lott is brought down by a CMSU Mule. Lott had his best game ever, picking up 121 yards on 29 carries.

Despite the two touchdowns scored by Central, the 'Cat defense played well.

"We had a very good defense. Their scores were breaks that they capitalized on from mistakes that our specialty team made. This helped them."

"I think it was a solid win," said Redd. "It was the first time that we really dominated another team."

Freshmen halfback Donald Lott turned in his best performance as a collegian so far, gaining 121 yards on 29 carries and scoring on a 20-yard run, while Doug Nespor also had his best day, too, picking up 59 yards on 13 carries.

The Bearcat defense was lead by John Farmer with 10 stops, a forced fumble and a pass broken up; Al Cade

with 11 tackles; Wayne Allen with four stops, two passes broken up, a forced fumble and one recovered; and Lance Corbin with six tackles and a forced fumble. Greg Lees, 'Cat back, had his second interception of the season.

According to Redd, Larry Schleicher, who was thought to have a possible broken nose, is now okay.

Mike Kiser: Working the 70-hour week

By Cheryl Krell
Sports Editor

After the game is over, after the season is through; and even after the athletes have left for the summer, the work is just beginning for Mike Kiser, sports information director for NWMSU.

Kiser, who has been with the University for nine years, handles a behind-the-scenes job by himself that is usually taken care of by a large staff at many other colleges.

Kiser describes his job as "distributing sports information to the media," but in reality it is much more complicated than that. He records the happenings from all games, compiles all the statistics, writes feature articles, publishes brochures on each team and puts together all game programs and specialty brochures which come up during the year. This is done for each and every sport on the campus, and the information is sent all over the four state area to different media.

"It's not just an eight hour a day, 40 hour a week job," said Kiser. "Other people can leave their work behind on weekends or when they go home. But my job just keeps going on and on. There's games on weekends, games at night on weekdays...there's always something."

There are no such things as seasons for Kiser either. In the winter he must prepare for the spring and summer sports while in the summer he must be preparing for the next year's fall and winter sports.

"It seems I never get a breather," said Kiser. "Between mid-August and Christmas, I have maybe one or two weekends free. It's just a job where you have to keep mentally two or three months ahead of the game at all times."

Compiling around 12 stories per

week, along with features, programs, and statistics consumes almost all of Kiser's time. Fortunately though, he says he is under no specific deadlines.

"I like to have brochures out before the season starts, of course," said Kiser. "But other than that, the only kind of deadline that I'm under is my own. I put a lot of pressure on myself...I think that I work better this way. I don't really put things off, it's just that I believe I come through when I have to."

Even after the stories are written, Kiser's work is still not over. The information is sent out to other news media all over the area. Three to four hundred brochures are sent to all of the NWMSU opponents, along with other game results and features every week. The press releases are also distributed to many area papers, T.V. stations and radio networks. Kiser also does a lot of what he calls "hometowning."

"Whenever a student athlete's name is mentioned in the news or elsewhere around here, we send the information to the student's hometown newspaper," Kiser said.

Most of the sports information about NWMSU which is written in other papers comes directly from one of Kiser's press releases. That is, if anything is mentioned at all.

"I become very frustrated with the huge media wasteland that we seem to have here," he said. "As far as a daily media coverage is concerned we don't really have any. The daily newspaper in Maryville only covers Northwest with the information that we supply them

with. St. Joseph (Mo.) is more interested in Missouri Southern and the larger papers such as in Kansas City (Mo.) or Des Moines (Ia.) are only interested in Division I teams. If I had one wish, I'd like to be working here (at NWMSU) but in an area where the media was more responsive."

Coming to NWMSU from the staff of the Wichita, Kan., Eagle and The Beacon, Kiser has been writing sports for almost 13 years.

"I guess I'm just a frustrated athlete," said Kiser. "I spent many years just sitting on the benches. I'm not really coordinated and I think by writing sports I can get almost as close to the action."

Although his job is not completely to build up the teams in the media, Kiser believes that as the sports information director he must emphasize the positive parts of the programs.

"I tend to take a less critical approach, than say, a reporter on a newspaper. But I don't believe the stuff is fluff or glossed over," he said.

One of Kiser's roughest times was weathered last year when the football team had its worst losing season ever. "That was the hardest time of all. I just had to look for something positive in the losses...some phase of the game that was good," he said. "I hope I never have to go through that again."

Despite his need for more help and money to work with, Kiser believes that he is doing well.

"I think I'm doing a good job. Of course, there are always more things I'd like to be able to do if there was more help and funding available," he said. "But I feel good about my coverage of all of the sports. Unlike in some colleges, all the programs here get brochures which are overall good."

Kiser must be doing a good job, though. His 1976-77 and 1975-76

Bearcat basketball guides were rated third nationally, his 1975 and 1977 Bearcat tennis brochures were selected among the nation's outstanding ones, his 1976 Bearcat cross country guide was selected the nation's best and was given national honors again in 1977, and his 1975-76-77 Bearkitten basketball guides were selected for national honors.

In 1978-79, Kiser's "Stadium" football program series was given CoSIDA honors, his men's and women's

tennis brochures were rated one and two in the country, his 'Cat cross country brochure was second nationally and his 'Cat track and field guide and MIAA wrestling program were third place CoSIDA winners.

After working so closely with statistics and facts, Kiser has become somewhat of a sports trivia expert, although he admits it all started when he was ten years old.

"It's mostly just little facts you pick up by looking through the sports information. Just little facts you can amaze your friends with," said Kiser. "When I was ten I started collecting sports books, and though it may sound stupid for a man my age, I still have collections of baseball and football cards. A lot of it (trivia) you get by just leafing through the brochures. I guess it's like osmosis—some of it has to sink in."

Despite all the time involved, Kiser seems to enjoy his job.

"The SID (sports information director) job is just what you make it. A lot of SIDs just put in 40 hours a week, but the majority who are at the top find it's a 60 to 70 hour a week job," he said. "I just try to the best that I feel is humanly possible."



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Working in the press box during last week's game, Mike Kiser compiles the football statistics sheet. Kiser works long hours as the sports information director.



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So There!!

Volleyball snags second

By Jim Offner
Randy Poe
Staff Writers

Despite losing their seventh match to the Missouri Western lady Griffons Oct. 9, the volleyball Bearkittens won their first game ever against Western Mo.

The five game match produced many pluses, despite the end result. Coach Pam Stanek was very pleased with the performance of the 'Kittens, whose match record dropped to 12-9-2 after the 16-14, 14-16, 15-10, 11-15 and 15-10 loss.

"I was extremely pleased with everyone's performance against Missouri Western," said Stanek.

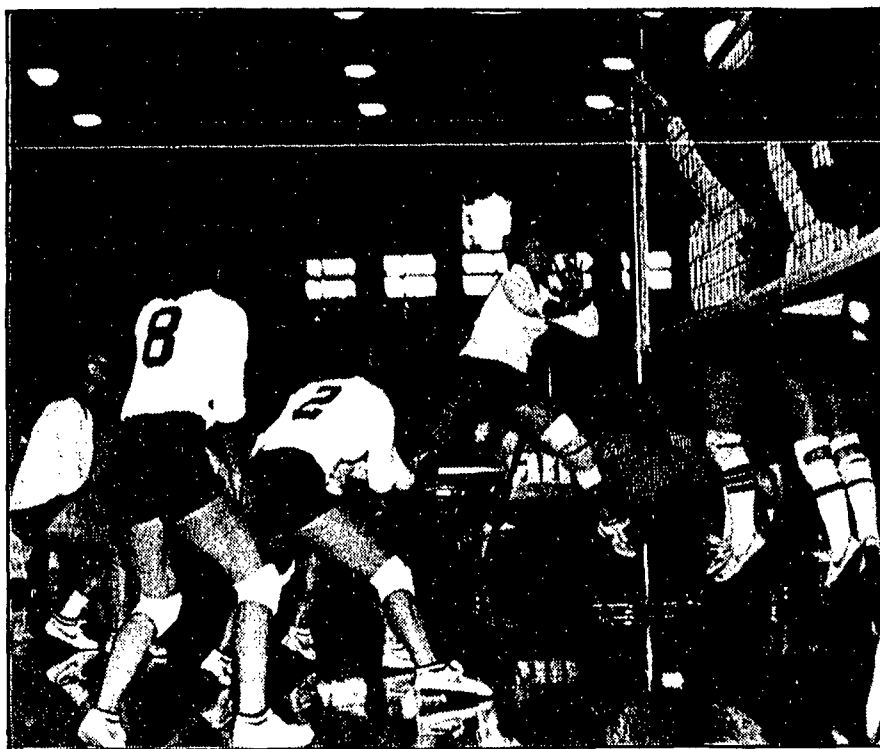
"Western is probably favored to win the state tournament this year, and I was pleased to see our team play so well."

The 'Kittens broke a 16-game losing streak against the St. Joseph school by winning the second game of the match. The Griffons had already bested the 'Kittens three times this season before last night's match, which Western won three games to two.

In Tuesday's fifth and deciding game, Western broke out on top 4-1. Sandra Hagedorn served the 'Kittens to a 7-4 advantage only to have the Griffons, Chris Sumrell serve six consecutive points, giving Western a lead it was never to give up. The 'Kittens closed the gap to 12-0, but the Griffons' Stephanie Miller scored the final three tallies to win for Western.

The 'Kittens had a chance to bury the Griffons in the first game. Northwest led 8-2, but Western rebounded to tie the game 12-12 and rallied again to tie the score at 14-14. Then Western's Kay Keller served them to a victory.

In the second game, the 'Kittens



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[Above] During the NWMSU Bearkitten Volleyball home tournament, two Tarkio players attempt to tip the ball back over the net after a Bearkitten punch. [Right] Lee Ann Rolla spikes the ball over the net. The 'Kittens beat Tarkio and went on to place second in the tourney.

came back as Lanita Richardson's serve helped Northwest form a 14-7 deficit to trail only by 14-10. Then Cathy Evans used good serves with good spikes and blocks from Miriam Heilman and Diane Nimocks.

The Griffons' Miller was the star in game three as she served the game's final six points after finding her team trailing, 5-0.

Evans and Mary Maloney combined to serve nine points to give the 'Kittens a 14-9 edge in game four. Heilman served the winning point.

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TIME OUT

By Cheryl Krell
Sports Editor

Last year many students used the excuse, "They never win...Who wants to go watch a losing team?"

But what's the excuse now?

This year the Bearcats are winning, but where are the spectators? Last Saturday there were almost as many Central Missouri State fans as there were NWMSU spectators. And they all drove approximately 160 miles to follow their team (Which right now is in the same position as last year's 'Cats-losing.)

Whether the crowd realizes it or not they can play a major role in the team's performance. To see many people sitting behind you when you look up into the stands can do wonders for a player's morale. To hear people cheering you on when you're down or tired could turn the game around.

Usually teams that are losing have a hard time drumming up the support they need so badly. But why, when a team is winning, should they have that problem?

The fact remains that the spectators have an important effect on the team, no matter what sport.

More people should try to attend the games. But I guess if they wait long enough they will be able to say, "It's just too cold to go..."

Some never run out of excuses.

Men's meet cancelled Women take third place

By Jim Offner
Staff Writer

Last weekend, the Bearkitten cross country team finished third in their triangular meet on the home course at Nodaway Lake, while the Bearcats' meet was cancelled, due to failure of their competition to appear.

Over the 5,000 meter course last Saturday, the 'Kittens placed only one runner in the top ten. Roberta Darr finished ninth with a time of 20:37. The 'Kittens scored a total of 51 points for third place.

Runners who placed in the lower half of the 21-finisher field were Kathy Royce, who placed 12th in 21:13, Vicki Gordon, 13th in 21:24 and Roseanne Morales, 17th in 23:24.

The 'Kittens have been hurt by an injury to Sheryl Kiburz, a front-runner on the team. Kiburz is sidelined with tendonitis but the team is hoping that she will recover in time for the MAIAW Championship which takes place Oct. 27 in Springfield, Mo.

Coach Richard Alsop, whose Bearcats

scored a first place finish out of 12 teams in the Missouri Intercollegiate Championships in Columbia, Mo., Sept. 28, approves of his squad's performance thus far this season.

"It's basically a young team," said Alsop. "But they are coming together as a team."

Alsop said that he is "tremendously happy" with the performance of the young harriers, particularly after having lost All-American Vernon Darling, who graduated last spring.

Back with the squad this year after good seasons last year are seniors Bob Kelchner, Dave Montgomery, Steve Sprague and sophomore Steve Klatte. Alsop said he has been impressed with two freshmen runners, Chris Ross and Brian Murley.

This Saturday the 'Cats will encounter some Division I competition at the Southwest Missouri State Distance Classic, at Springfield, Mo. The 'Cats will also be competing against most of the MIAA schools.



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Running on the home course at Nodaway Lake, Joe Ankebaour and Jim Ryan head for the finish. Even though the men's meet was cancelled Oct. 6, they ran anyway.

SNAFU, LAGNAF remain undefeated

By Dwayne McClellan
Staff Writer

Close races in fraternity and independent leagues mark the last few weeks of the intramural football season as the playoffs grow nearer.

TKE #1 leads fraternity league A with an 8-1 record. The Chodes are right behind with 7-2. The Petties are 3-5, the Nads stand at 2-6, while Delta Sig, 2-6, and Delta Chi, 1-8, bring up the rest of the pack.

In league B, the Folios occupy first place with a 7-1 record over Delta Chi #1 with a 6-2 record. The Zombies, 4-4; TKE #2, 3-5; and AKL #1, 2-4, occupy the last three places.

SNAFU, 10-0, and one of only two undefeated teams, leads the independent league A over the 8-1 second place Bruins. The Juicehounds are 8-2 and in third place. In fourth is the ROTC team with 7-2. Third Dieterich, 6-4, and Jack Daniels, 3-6, are fifth and sixth, respectively.

The other undefeated team,

LAGNAF, leads League B with an 8-0 mark. The Zonkers and third Douglas are tied for third place at 7-2, and fourth Dieterich is fifth at 3-6.

In league C, a 7-2 mark by the Raiders puts them in first place. The Six Packers are right behind at 6-1. Second Dieterich, 4-5; Seventh Phillips, 3-5; and The Ebony Stars, 3-5, bring up the rear.

The Orange Crush team, with a 9-2 record, leads the league D with the Wild Bunch in second place at 6-3. The Muffkateers at 4-5-1 are tied for third place with Fifth Dieterich also 4-5-1. Vet's Club is 4-7, taking a fifth place mark.

"We're having a real good season so far and the weather and competition is good," said Doug Peterson, intramurals director.

Fraternity playoffs will begin Oct. 22 with the independent playoffs slated for Oct. 29. All School Championship will conclude the season on Nov. 4.

Booster Club supports athletic programs

By Kevin Vall
Staff writer

Outside support to athletics from alumni and backers is an essential part of any college level athletic program. NWMSU possesses such a quality in the form of the Booster Club.

"Presently we have 95 members," said Eldon Asbell, president of the club.

"Originally we were the Quarterback Club, solely sponsoring the football program. We saw a need to support the other college sports, so we changed to the Booster Club four years ago. Today

we sponsor all sports, both men and women's," he said.

The major task of the Booster Club is assisting in the recruiting effort of high school and transfer athletes.

"We support recruiting very strongly," said Asbell. "A lot of our members have taken recruits home and out to dinner. We also paid the rental on a car used for recruiting. Next year we hope to lease a car for the athletic program."

In addition to recruiting efforts, the Booster Club also sponsors an awards

banquet in December for fall athletes and an April banquet for spring athletes. Another sponsored meal comes in the form of a hamburger fry for the football team during double-session workouts.

Football programs also come in the form of financial support from the club.

One of the major financial projects undertaken by the Booster Club last year was the purchase of an orthotron, a physical therapy machine.

"Sandy Miller (men's athletic trainer) thought it would be a definite boost to the training facilities, so we got it," said Asbell.

The University has not let all the efforts of the Booster Club go unnoticed, as they invited Asbell to sit in on the committee meetings to select a new men's basketball coach after the departure of former coach Larry Holley.

"I sat in on the committee meetings for selection of the new basketball coach, Dr. Sims," he said. "I was really honored. It was a nice thing, in the University asking us."

Asbell, like the club, supports all college sports but he is partial to the football team's progress.

"I feel our team is on the up and we'll be much stronger next year. Last year was really tough and it showed who the real fans were," said Asbell.

Another member of the club, and probably the football Bearcats' number one fan is W.R. O'Reilly. He made it a personal goal to follow the 'Cats home and away this year until they snapped their losing streak.

"You couldn't describe it in words the way I felt when we beat Fort Hays State," said O'Reilly. "You had to be there."

"I think the biggest thing about being in the Booster Club is that it gets you acquainted with the athletes," said O'Reilly. "Personally, the one player that sticks out in my mind the most is Jimmy Leigh. At the Northeast game in Kirksville three years ago, he hurt his knee and rode back in my van. You could tell he was in a lot of pain, but he never said a word about it."

Overall, the booster Club has been a definite aid to NWMSU's athletic program. Besides their Booster Club privileges, there is no monetary value for the members, but Asbell believes there is a greater value.

"We're doing something to help the University and athletic department and in turn, I think it helps the city," he said.

As far as the future of the Booster Club, Asbell sees a positive outlook.

"Conference-wise, we have a strong Booster Club, and I'm proud of it," he said. "We hope it gets stronger."



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